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WASHINGTON, November 27, 1985 -- Orders for new freight cars in October totaled 980, compared with 153 in September and 1,578 in October 1964, the Association of American Railroads and the American Railway Car Institute reported today.

Cumulative orders for the first 10 months of this year totaled 7,835, compared with 14,184 a year ago.

Cars placed in service in October totaled 1,169, compared with 1,020 in September and 1,295 in October 1984. The 10-month total of deliveries this year is 10,241, compared with 10,375 at the same time last year.

As of November 1, the backlog of cars on order but undelivered was 2,394, compared with 2,583 on October 1, and 5,899 on November 1, 1984. Average monthly backlog so far this year is 3,755, compared with 6,350 a year ago.

Meanwhile, the AAR reported that 69 new locomotives were placed in service in October, compared with 75 in September and 35 in October 1984.

As of November 1, the backlog of locomotives on order but undelivered totaled 114, compared with 162 on October 1, and 189 on November 1 a year ago.

Taking retirements into account, the fleet of owned and leased diesel-electric locomotives on November 1 was 22,933, compared with 22,818 on October 1, and 24,590 on November 1, 1984.

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FREIGHT CARS AND LOCOMOTIVES ORDERED AND DELIVERED

AND BACKLOG OF ORDERS

ALL RAILROADS AND PRIVATE CAR LINES

DELIVERED

	October		September	Ten Months	
	1985	1984	1984	1985	1984
Built New by Car Builders	1,169	1,295	1,020	9,835	10,375
Built New in R.R. Shops	0	0	0	406	0
Built New - Total	1,169	1,295	1,020	10,241	10,375
Rebuilt	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL DELIVERED	1,169	1,295	1,020	10,241	10,375
Locomotives	69	35	75	517	400

ORDERED

To be built New by Car Builders	980	1,422	153	7,835	13,778
To be built New in R.R. Shops	0	156	0	0	406
To be built New - Total	980	1,578	153	7,835	14,184
To be rebuilt	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL ORDERED	980	1,578	153	7,835	14,184

ON ORDER AND UNDELIVERED

	November 1		October 1	Average	
	1985	1984	1985	1985	1984
To be built New by Car Builders	2,394	5,493	2,583	3,727	6,209
To be built New in R.R. Shops	0	406	0	28	141
To be built New - Total	2,394	5,899	2,583	3,755	6,350
To be rebuilt	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL ON ORDER	2,394	5,899	2,583	3,755	6,350
Locomotives	114	189	162	236	172

Orders, Deliveries and Backlog Include Estimates for Tank Cars

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